

International Society of Nephrology

Membership

Any member of a national society of nephrology is eligible for proposal to membership in the International Society of Nephrology and receipt of the Society's official Journal, *Kidney International*. A subscription to *Kidney International* (including all Supplements) for calendar year 2001 is included in the annual year 2001 dues of US \$150.00. Potential members can secure application forms for membership by writing directly to Dr. William E. Mitch, Treasurer, International Society of Nephrology, Emory University, Renal Division, WMB Room 338, 1639 Pierce Drive, Atlanta, GA 30322, USA. (Checks must be made payable to the International Society of Nephrology. Checks from outside the USA must be paid through any United States bank.)

ISN World Wide Web Page

The ISN Home Page on the World Wide Web (<http://www.isn-online.org>) describes ISN programs, lists officers, councilors and members of the Commission for Developing Countries, and supplies general information regarding ISN membership and subscription to *Kidney International*.

Guidelines for sponsorship of symposia, postgraduate courses, or workshops by the International Society of Nephrology

The International Society of Nephrology (ISN) encourages the organizers of scientific symposia, postgraduate courses, or workshops to apply to the Society for sponsorship. ISN sponsorship will provide (1) use of the Society's name as a sponsor or co-sponsor; (2) announcement of the meeting in *Kidney International*, contingent upon the receipt of written information in the Editorial office at least 6 months in advance of the meeting; and (3) the possibility of partial financial support. Applications must include the following information: (1) the topic, purpose, location and date(s) of the meeting; (2) the names and titles of the members of the scientific organizing committee; (3) a list of all co-sponsoring institutions, if any, and sources of financial support; (4) the total revenue and expense budget for the proposed meeting, by major category; (5) the names and institutions of origin of all invited speakers, and their topics; (6) a statement as to whether manuscripts will be solicited from invited speakers, or free communications sought from

others; and (7) an expression of willingness to include the following acknowledgment on all publications: "... was held under the auspices of the International Society of Nephrology."

These guidelines do not apply to satellite symposia to be held in close proximity to a biennial Congress. Furthermore, the ISN will not sponsor or co-sponsor any regularly scheduled or routine international, national, or regional meeting, nor will it co-sponsor postgraduate courses with other international societies or groups.

Applications for sponsorship must be submitted directly to Thomas E. Andreoli, M.D., Department of Internal Medicine, Slot 640, Little Rock, Arkansas 72205, USA. E-mail: AndreoliThomasE@exchange.UAMS.edu

COMGAN Sister Exchange Program

Applications for Model Renal Sister Exchange Programs supported by the International Society of Nephrology (ISN) Commission for Global Advancement of Nephrology (COMGAN) are now being solicited. Ten centers (two in each of the five subcommission regions: Africa, Asia, CIS-Middle East, Eastern and Central Europe, and Latin America) will receive \$5000 US to facilitate the exchange. It is expected that the sister center will organize (regional and supra-regional) postgraduate educational meetings, start programs for the prevention of renal disease, and develop initiatives to make the public aware of renal disease and hypertension. For further information, contact: the ISN Secretariat in Amsterdam to the attention of: Prof. Eberhard Ritz, c/o Ilja Huang, Executive Office, Academic Medical Center, Meibergdreef 9, 1105 AZ Amsterdam, The Netherlands. [Telephone: 31 20 566 4100 (4939); Fax: 31 20 696 0389; E-mail: I.M.Huang@AMC.UVA.NL]. Complete details are posted on <http://www.isn-online.org>

ISN Archives

A Bibliography of works in the history of nephrology prepared by Professor J. Stewart Cameron, is now available in four parts on the ISN Web site: <http://www.isn-online.org>. This bibliography should be regarded as "work in progress" that will be updated regularly. Communications on papers, books, videos, Web sites, and any other relevant material discussing the history of nephrology should be sent to jstewart_cameron@email.msn.com

Dr. Leon Fine is maintaining the Archives of the Inter-

national Society of Nephrology, which consist of photographs, announcements, activities, and names of Council Members and Officers of the Society. Relevant information, documents, or photographs that are pertinent to the development and evolution of the ISN are assembled in the Archives.

Members of the ISN or other readers of *Kidney International* having such material are requested to forward it to Dr. Fine at the following address: Professor Leon G. Fine, Department of Medicine, Royal Free and University College Medical School, 5 University Street, London WC1E 6JJ, United Kingdom.

National Societies

The Secretary General of the *International Society of Nephrology* is endeavoring to bring the Society's list of national societies up-to-date. Many such national societies are not affiliated with the ISN or their affiliation has lapsed. To retain their affiliated status and to vote at the General Assembly, a list of individual members is required to be sent annually. Secretaries of national societies therefore are asked to provide the Secretary General with the address to which correspondence should be sent, together with a list of their officers and individual members, and a formal application for affiliation where this has lapsed. Please send these to Rashad Barsoum, M.D., ISN Office, The Cairo Kidney Center, P.O. Box 91 Bab-El-Louk, Cairo 11513, Egypt. E-mail: isn@rusys.eg.net

MEETINGS

Advanced Nephrology: Nephrology for the Consultant, a Continuing Medical Education conference presented by the Division of Nephrology, Department of Medicine, School of Medicine at the University of California, San Diego, will be held February 1–3, 2001, at the Coronado Island Marriott Resort, Coronado (San Diego), California. For further information, contact: Shirley Kolkey, Complete Conference Management, 1660 Hold Circle North, # 220, San Diego, CA 92108. Telephone: 1-619-299-6673; Fax: 1-619-299-6675; E-mail: c-c-m@worldnet.att.net

The Sixth International Conference on Continuous Renal Replacement Therapies will be held March 8–10, 2001, at the Hotel del Coronado (San Diego), California. The deadline for abstract submission is December 4, 2000. For further information, contact: Shirley Kolkey, Complete Conference Management, 1660 Hold Circle North, # 220, San Diego, CA 92108. Telephone: 1-619-299-6673; Fax: 1-619-299-6675; E-mail: c-c-m@worldnet.att.net; CRRT web site: <http://www.crrtonline.com>

Monoclonal Gammopathies and the Kidney will be held March 22–23, 2001, at Palais des Congrès, Futuroscope, Poitiers, France, under the auspices of the International Society of Nephrology and the French Societies of Nephrology, Immunology, and Hematology. The

deadline for abstract submission is January 30, 2001 (electronic submission by e-mail is recommended but not mandatory. For further information and abstract form, contact: Prof. Guy Touchard, Service de Néphrologie, CHU, BP-557, 86021 Poitiers Cedex, France. Telephone: 33 5 49 44 43 56; Fax: 33 5 49 44 421 36; E-mail: g.touchard@chu-poitiers.fr

The Second International Symposium of Glomerulopathies will be held April 19–21, 2001, in Rosario, Argentina. For further information, contact: Hector Riego and Silvia Gerejido. Telephone/Fax: 54 341-4380323; Address of the Secretariat: San Lorenzo 4319, 2000 Rosario, Argentina.

The Necker Seminars in Nephrology will be held May 7–9, 2001, in Paris. The program is available at <http://www.necker.fr> For further information, contact Doreen Broneer, Département de Néphrologie, Hôpital Necker, 161 Rue de Sèvres, 75743 Paris Cedex 15, France. Telephone: 33 (0)1 44 49 54 13; Fax: 33 (0)1 44 49 54 50; E-mail: Doreen.broneer@nck.ap-hop-paris.fr

The Second International Course on Critical Care Nephrology will be held May 22–25, 2001, in Vicenza, Italy. An important scientific exhibition featuring the most updated technology in the field of Critical Care Nephrology will be open during the course. For further information, contact Dr. C. Ronco at cronco@goldnet.it or Dr. A. Saccardo at studio.saccardo@ntt.it

The 2nd International Congress on Immunointervention in Nephrology will be held May 24–26, 2001, in Chai Laguna (Cagliari, Sardinia, Italy). For further information, contact: Paolo Altieri, M.D., Dipartimento di Nefrologia e Dialisi, Ospedale S. Michele, Via Peretti, 09134 Cagliari, Italy. Telephone and Fax: 39 070 542872 or 39 070 539491; E-mail: palaltie@tin.it

The XXXVIII Congress of the European Renal Association – European Dialysis and Transplant Association (ERA – EDTA) will be held June 24–27, 2001, in Vienna, Austria. The scientific programme is available on the Web site: <http://www.unipr.it/~eraedta/2001.html> For further information, contact: ERA-EDTA Congress Office, Via Spolverini 2, 43100 Parma, Italy. Fax: 39-0521-959242; E-mail: congress@euromeetings.it

IX Congress of the International Society for Peritoneal Dialysis (ISPD 2001) will be held June 26–29, 2001, in Montréal, Québec, Canada. For further information, contact: ISPD 2001 Congress Secretariat, Events International Meeting Planners, Inc., Attn: Tiffany Pizioli, 759 Victoria Square, Suite 300, Montréal, Québec, Canada H2Y 2J7. Telephone: 514-286-0855; Fax: 514-286-6066; E-mail: piziolit@eventsintl.com

1st International Consultation on Stone Disease, co-sponsored by the World Health Organization, will be held July 4–5, 2001, Palais des Congrès, 2, place de la Porte Maillot, 75017 Paris, France. For further information, contact either Prof. Joseph Segura, Mayo Clinic,